COLORADO RIVER RECOVERY PROGRAM FY 2006-2007 SCOPE OF WORK for: PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT – RUEDI RESERVOIR

Lead Agency: U.S Bureau of Reclamation, Eastern Colorado Area Office

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<u>Category:</u>	Expected Funding
Source:	
Ongoing project	Annual funds
X Ongoing-revised project	Capital funds
Requested new project	_X_ Other (explain)
Unsolicited proposal	(See below under budget)

I. Title of Proposal: Ruedi Reservoir Agreement, including Public Involvement

II. Strategies/Dates:

Specific:

- 1) Inform public of upcoming events related to Ruedi Reservoir's participation in the Recovery Program -- April/May 2006/2007 through September/October 2006/2007.
- 2) Schedule the Annual Ruedi Reservoir Operations and Coordinated Reservoirs Operations meeting -- May 2006/2007.
- 3) Schedule any additional public meetings as needed--preferably before the summer season each year.
- 4) Establish clear public process and environmental study for any new proposals affecting Ruedi Reservoir operations and releases -- at least 30 days prior to finalized reports.

Ongoing:

- 1) Identify public concerns and values regarding Ruedi releases and provide a mechanism to incorporate public perspectives and issues into the process of timing the releases;
- 2) Inform interested communities about the value of the Recovery Program and the reasons we conduct Ruedi releases in support of efforts to recover the endangered fish;
- 3) Build public support or tolerance for Ruedi Reservoir releases in the Upper Colorado River Basin; and

Strategies/Dates (continued)

4) Provide information to, and collect input from, the public, news media, special interest groups, government and Congressional officials in a timely manner.

III. Budget:

This PIP is no longer charged to the Recovery Program, but to general operations or to the PBO.